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1. The Chinese Communist Army is mobilizing over 10,000 militiamen at Ch'aoan (116-37, 23-42) to build an airfield under the supervision of Soviets.* The army is buying the concrete and other supplies at Swatow. It is planned that the field will be completed by mid-April.
2. The Swatow airfield was completed by mid-March. It has four runways, capable of accommodating 40 aircraft, and three underground hangars.
3. Around mid-March the construction of eight underground hangars was completed at White Cloud Mountain. The largest is capable of housing 20 planes; the smallest can house eight planes.
4. There are three MIG-15's at Santsao (113- , 22-) Airfield. A battalion of the 5 Regiment of the Kwangtung 6 Military Sub-District Command is guarding the area.
5. On 24 March 1951, 1,500 Chinese Communist officers and men selected from Hainan garrison troops are being trained as paratroops at Sanya Airfield. The school is directed by LI Chen-tung (李振東), brother of LI Chen-ya (李振亚), former deputy commander of the Hainan Column. The personnel will be trained in groups for a period of three months. The main courses, in addition to jumping, are the use of baronets, the firing of weapons, and concealments (sic).
6. The Chinese Communists are training pilots in jets at White Cloud and T'ienho Airfields, Canton, and at Lanchou (103-41, 36-03), Kansu.
7. On 22 March 1951, air activity at Manchurian and Shanghai airfields was as follows:***

a. Antung: 16 Soviet Air Force planes patrolled the area during four

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air raid alerts.

- b. Anshan: 26 MIG-15's flew a training mission.
- c. Mukden: 22 MIG-15's flew a training mission.
- d. Shanghai: Planes based in the area were scheduled for target practice with live ammunition. A total of 59 planes are based in the Shanghai-Nanking area.

8. On 23 March 1951, air activity at Manchurian and Shanghai airfields was as follows:**

- a. Antung: A number of Soviet Air Force planes patrolled the area during one air raid alert.
- b. Anshan: 59 MIG-15's patrolled the area.
- c. K'aiyuan (124-05, 42-36): 28 attack planes of the Chinese Communist 15 Air Regiment practiced bombing and firing.
- d. Shanghai-Nanking: 28 planes flew training missions.

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